Zero Energy Homes Performance

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Agenda

- SMUD's New ZEH Experience
- Benefits of ZEH
- Lessons Learned



Why Solar?

- Fulfills Utility's RPS commitment
- State Efficiency Standards are reaching their limits
- Reduces summer peak, yet preserves off-peak sales
- Creates local jobs
- Delays need for new plants and transmission upgrades
- Customer choice



Why PV In Residential New Construction?

- Residential New Construction is PV's "Holy Grail"
 - High volume drives down costs
 - Standardized system design
 - Builders masters of cost cutting
 - Lowest cost install
 - Highest growth opportunity for PV
- Zero Energy Homes
 - Energy efficiency with 2 kW PV Energy Roofs
 - Potential: 20+MW DG capacity in District per year
 - 260+ MW DG capacity statewide per year



SMUD'S New Home PV Experience

- Initiated December 2000
- Eight production home Builders
- 196 new homes & townhouses in 19 subdivisions
- First production home ZEH Beazer Powerhouse
- 100+ ZEH homes built



Residential New Construction PV Projects









SMUD'S ZEH Experience

- Beazer Homes (18 homes)
- Morrison Homes (20 homes)
- Premier Gardens (95 homes)





- Entry Level buyers
- 1300 to 2400 square foot homes
- Very diverse community demographics
- ZEH offered as optional upgrade in 4 communities
- 18 Homes built (approx. 60 kW)
 - 17 occupied by owner for 1+ year



POWERHOUSE EFFICIENCY FEATURES

Up to 75% > 99 Title-24 Cooling Energy Stds

<u>Envelope</u>	Base	ZEH
Roof	R-30	R-38
Windows	metal	Vinyl, Low SH
<u>HVAC</u>		
A/C SEER	10	14 w/TXV
Duct Insulation	R-4.2	R-20
Duct Sealing	Standard	Sealed
ACCA Design	No	Yes Short Runs



POWERHOUSE PV SYSTEM

- Atlantis Sunslates (216-360 slates/home)
 3.3 kW AC
- Multiple Source Circuits
- Low-Voltage
- Xantrex Inverters
- PV System Sizing
 4,000 kWh/year







SMUD's Participation

- Residential Services programs

 Hook-up fee refund for high efficiency homes
- Buydown of the PV system
 - Costs \approx \$10.45 /watt AC Installed
 - Builder pays \$4/watt (\$2.60/w equipment + install \$1.40/w)
 - \$6.45/w AC PV Buydown
- Installation Support
- Marketing Support
- Net Metering



DOE's Zero Energy Home Program Goals

- Communities Built in 2003 2004
 - 60% reduction in energy bill
 - Annual net-zero electricity use
 - \$600 total annual energy bill
- Communities built by 2010
 - Annual net-zero energy use





COMPLIMENTARY PROGRAMS

• Energy Star Energy Star (15% better than Title 24)

ComfortWise





Third Party inspections and tests

• SMUD Tier III Advantage Home 50% reduction in Title 24 cooling energy budget



Morrison Lakeside ZEH Project

- 120 unit in-fill, move-up, second time buyer+ community
- 2200 to 3600 square foot homes
- Affluent Buyer
- ZEH Optional Feature
- 12 Homes built (24 kW Solar)
- Occupied < one year



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Premier Gardens ZEH Project

- 95 unit in-fill, entry level community
- 1300 to 2400 square foot homes
- Very diverse community demographics
- ZEH Standard Feature
- 95 Homes built (190 kW Solar)
- Occupied < one year















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Building Integrated Solar Electric System

- PIER Support PV Product Development
- 48 GE Energy GT 55 BIPV Modules
 2,208 kW AC CEC
- One Source Circuit
- High-Voltage
- SMA 2500 Inverter
- PV System Sizing
 - Building America Features
 - ConSol Engineering Analysis







SMUD's Participation – Energy Efficiency

- \$500 Hook-up fee discount
- \$200 Lighting and Energy Star Home (3rd party inspection) incentives
- \$20,000 Marketing Support



SMUD's Participation - Solar

- Buydown of the PV system Morrison
 - Installed costs \approx \$8.75/w AC
 - Builder pays \$4/watt (\$2.60/w equipment + install \$1.40/w)
 - \$4.75/w AC PV buydown (12 homes w/ 2 kW PV system)
- Buydown of the PV System Premier
 - Costs \approx \$7.76 /watt AC Installed
 - Builder pays \$4.26 (PV equipment + install)
 - \$3.50/watt AC Average PV Buydown



ZEH Features Lakeside

37% to 43% > 01 Title-24 Standards

Measure	Base	ZEH
Attic Insulation	R-30	R-38
Low Air Infiltration	No	Yes
Wall Insulation	R-13	R-13 + R-4.2 Foam
Windows	Vinyl, Low-e	Vinyl, Low SHGC
FURN AFUE	0.78	0.92
A/C SEER	10	14 w/TXV
ACCA Design	Yes	Yes Short Runs
Ducts	R-4.2	R-20
Water Heater	storage EF .60	Tankless EF .87
Distribution	Standard	Pipe insulation
	NA	Fluorescent Lighting
	NA	2kW AC PV
	NA	Third Party Inspections & Tests



Premier ZEH Features vs.. Neighbor 32% to 38% > 01 Title-24 Standards

Measure	Neighbor	ZEH
Attic Insulation	R-30	R-38
Wall Insulation	R-13	R-13 + R-4.2 Foam
Low Air Infiltration	No	Yes
Windows	Vinyl, low SHGC	Vinyl, Low SHGC
FURN AFUE	0.80	0.92
A/C SEER	10	14 w/TXV
ACCA Design	YES	YES Short Runs
Duct Leakage	TIGHT	TIGHT
Water Heater	storage EF .62	Tankless EF .87
Distribution	Standard	Pipe insulation
	NA	Fluorescent Lighting
	NA	2kW AC PV
	NA	Third Party Inspections & Tests

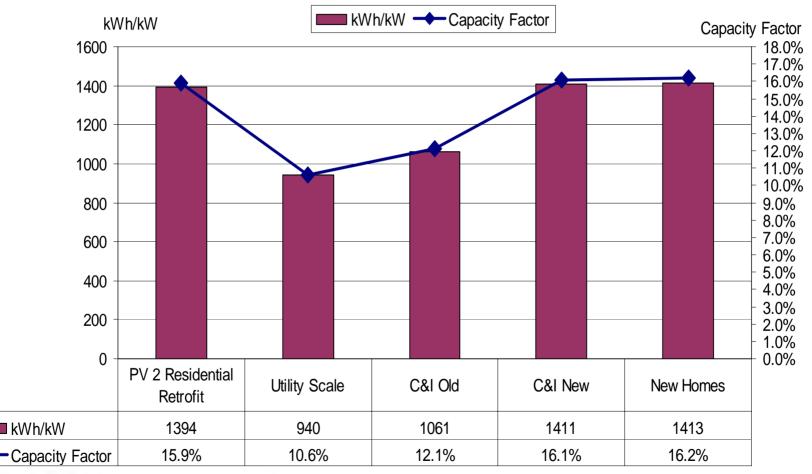


ZEH Potential Impacts

- PV System Performance
- Demonstrated total annual energy bill reduction without losing Off-Peak electricity sales
- Potential Peak Demand Savings up to 20+ MW/year

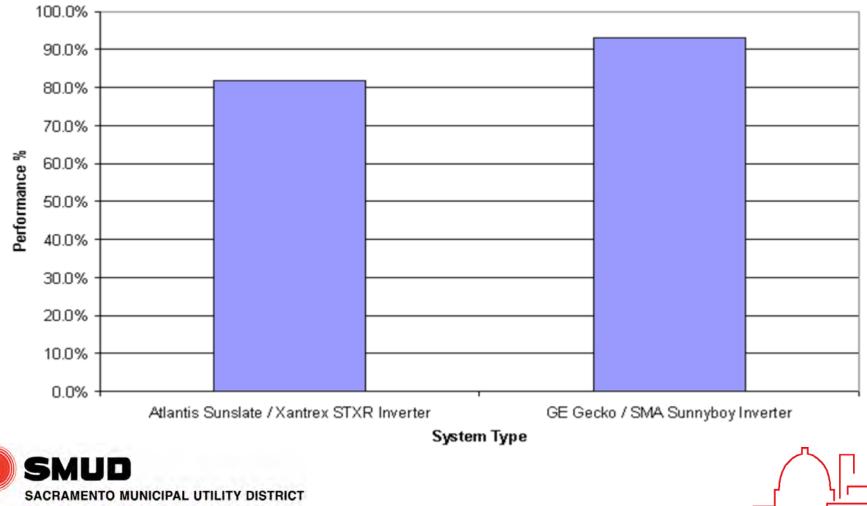


SMUD PV Fleet Performance





Performance of Residential New Construction PV Systems

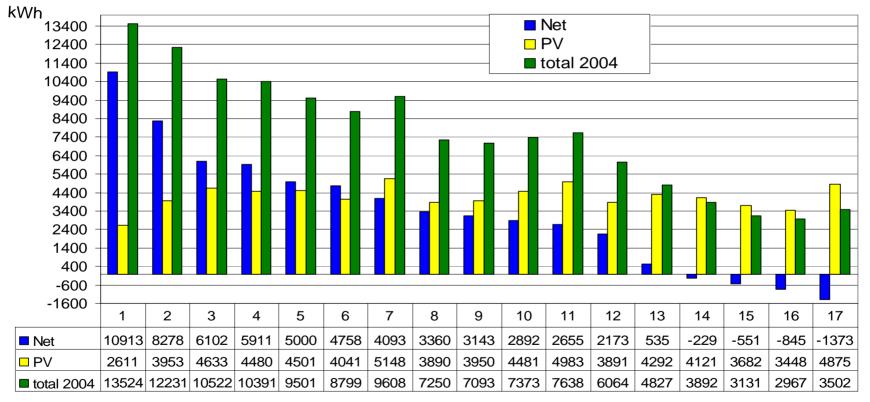


The Power To Do More.^{5M}

Beazer Powerhouse Annual kWh Consumption

Solar Averaged 68% of Annual kWh Consumption

11 of 17 owner occupied homes produced more electricity than they purchased from SMUD





Beazer (Piazza) Solar vs.. Non Solar Average Electric Bills

ZEH Homeowner Electric Bills were 45% lower than Non-ZEH Homeowner Electric Bills





Lakeside ZEH 2004 Monthly Avg PV & Net kWh Usage

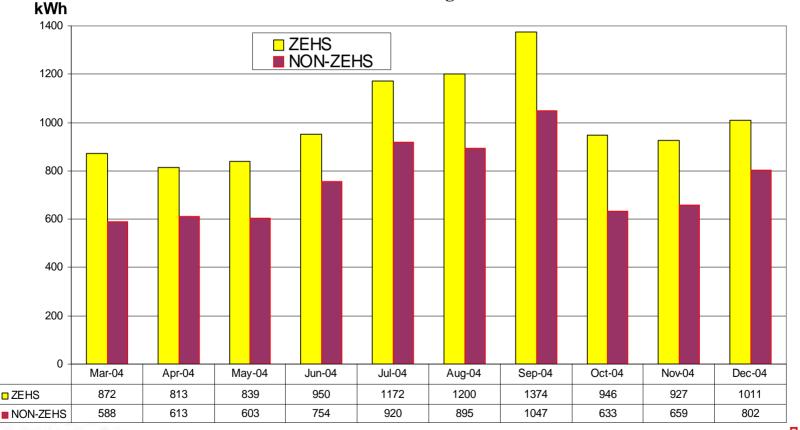
Solar Average 32% of Total kWh Consumption Net kWh Consumption kWh PV kWh Production Total kWh Consumption March April May July Sept June dec Aug oct nov Net kWh Consumption PV kWh Production Total kWh Consumption





Lakeside 2004 Monthly Avg kWh Usage ZEH vs.. Non-ZEh

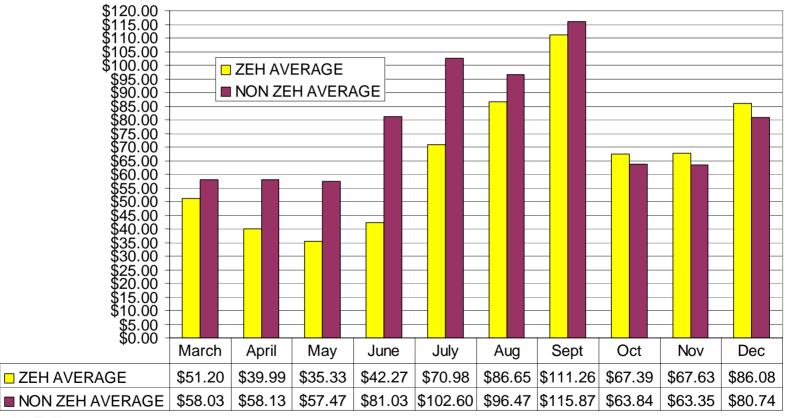
ZEH Homeowner Electric Use was 134% higher than Non-ZEH Homeowner Electric Bills



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Morrison Avg 2004 Monthly Electric Bills ZEH vs.. Non ZEh

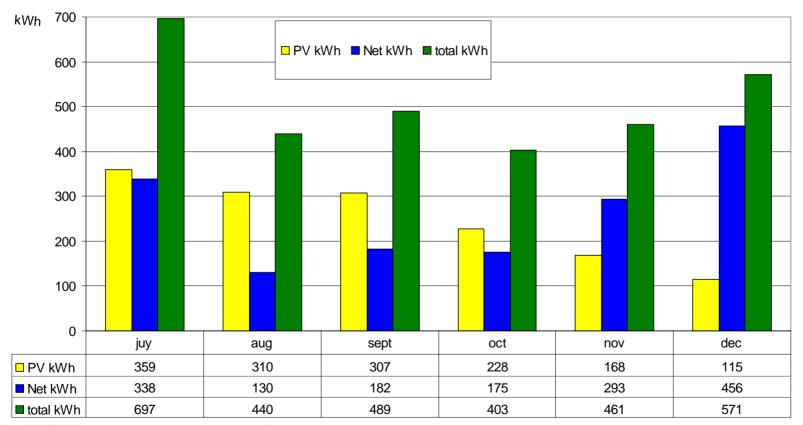
ZEH Homeowner Electric Bills were 4% lower than Non-ZEH Homeowner Electric Bills





Premier ZEH 2004 Monthly Avg PV & Net kWh Usage

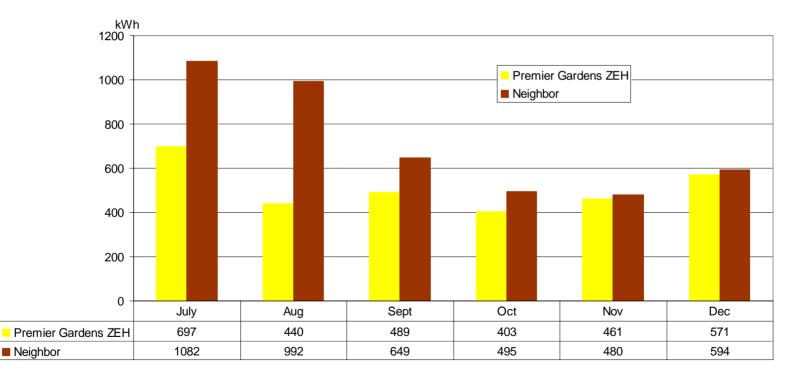
Solar Averaged 49% of Total kWh Consumption





Monthly Average Monthly kWh Usage Premier vs.. Neighbor

Premier ZEH Averaged 29% less kWh Consumption than Neighbor

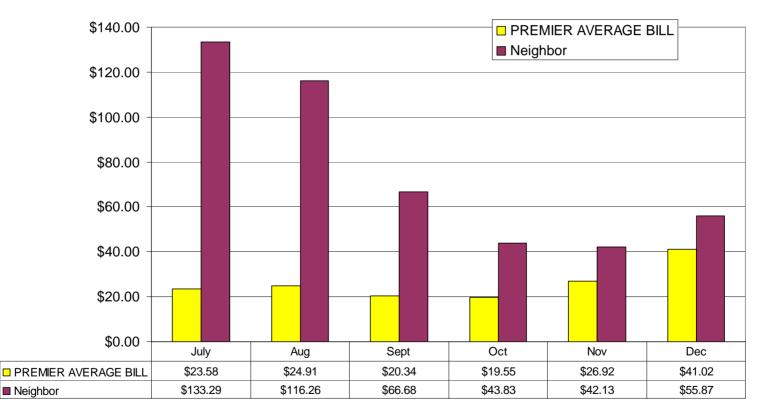






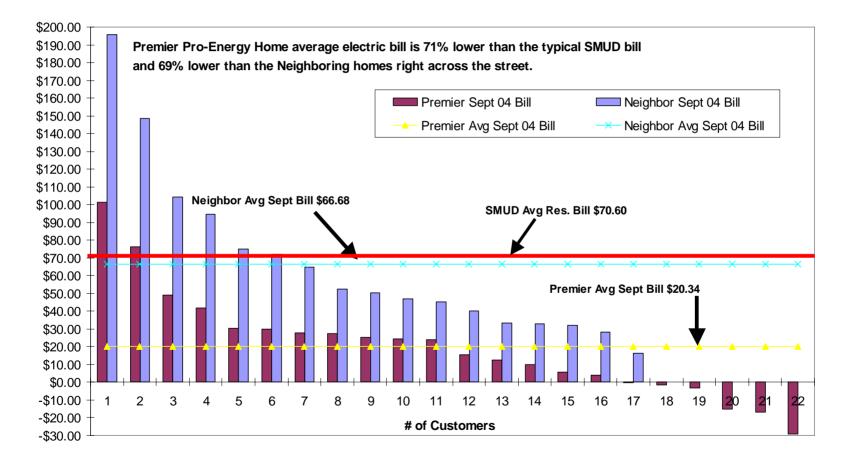
Premier vs.. Neighbor 2004 Average Monthly Electric Bills

ZEH Homeowner Electric Bills were 44% lower than Non-ZEH Homeowner Electric Bills





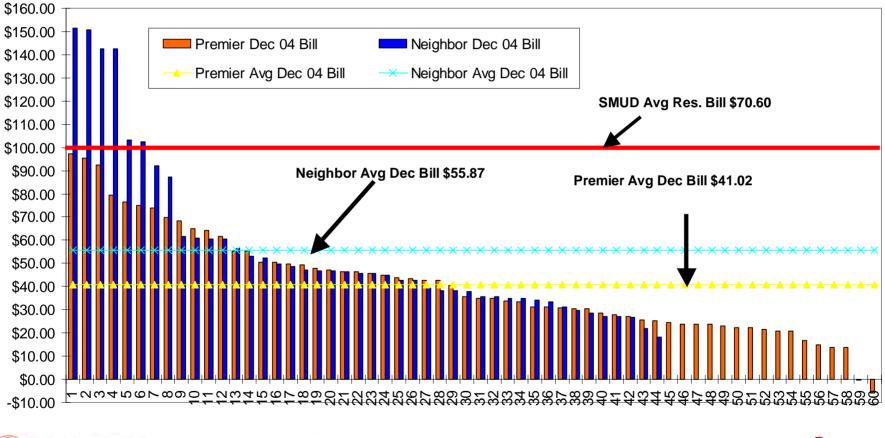
Premier vs.. Neighbor Sept 04 Electric Bills





Premier vs.. Neighbor Dec 04 Electric Bills

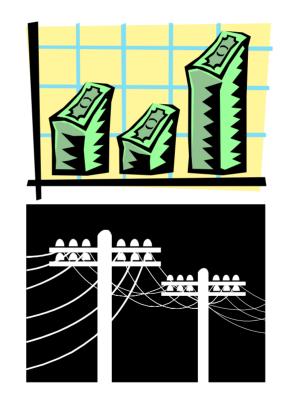
Premier Pro-Energy Home average electric bill is 42% lower than the typical SMUD bill and 27% lower thar the Neighboring homes right across the street.





Why Peak Shaving?

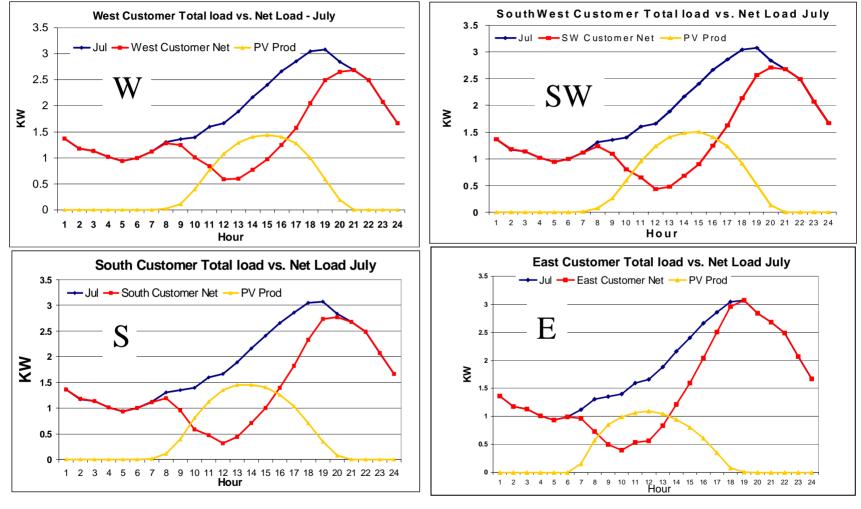
- Reduce Peak Liabilities
 - Economical
 - Reliability
 - o Limit Voltage Dips
 - o Reduce Need for New Capacity







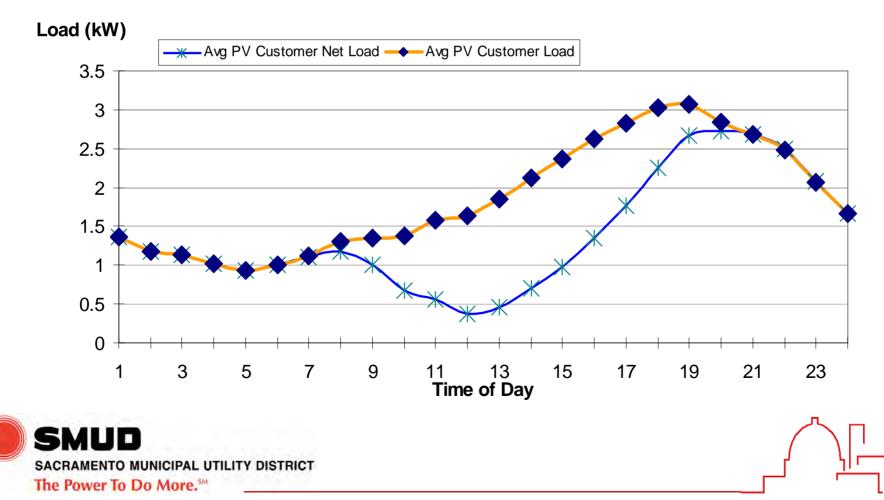
Hourly Curves - July



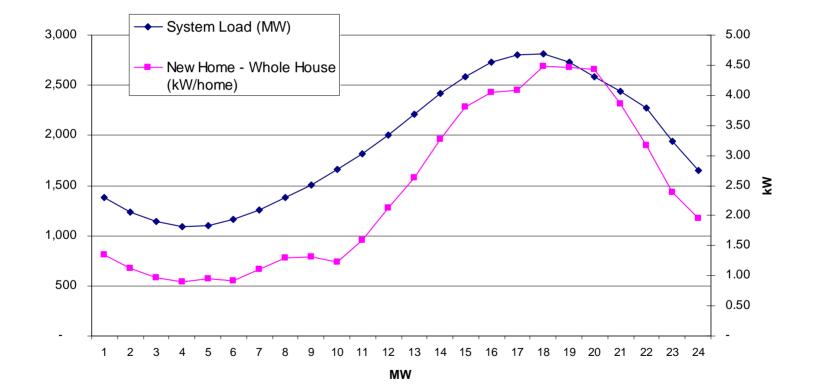


Average SMUD PV Customer Load vs.. Net Load

PV systems can reduce a customer's peak demand by as much as 13 percent (0.4 kW).



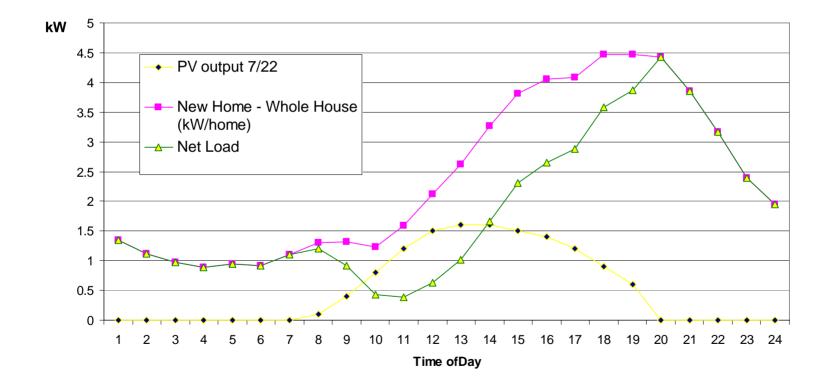
System Load July, 2003 vs.. New Home Load



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New Home Load with PV Production

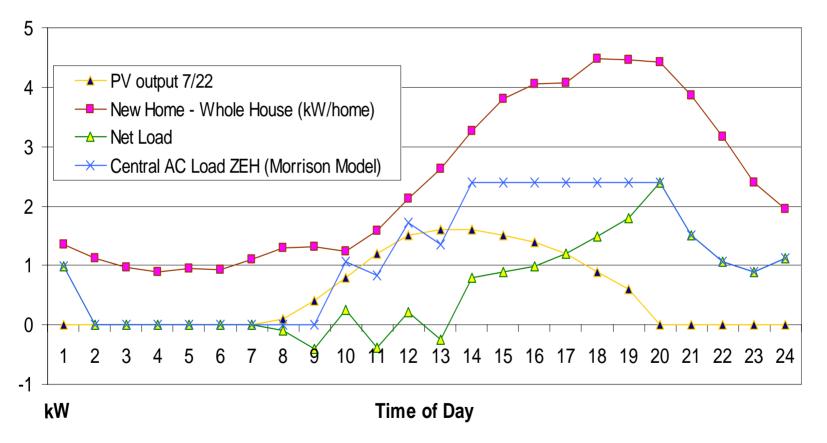
Average New Home's peak demand measured at 6 pm is reduced 20 percent (0.9 kW)





ZEH Peak Demand Potential

Combination of PV and Efficiency yields potential peak demand reduction of up to 58% (2.6 kW) for Average New Home.







Peak Shaving Opportunities

- West or Southwest facing systems provide the best combination of peak reduction, super-peak energy, and annual energy production
- Targeting deployment to grid constrained areas will be more advantageous in the near to mid-term considering size in relation to State's grid
- Working with builders to orient roof integrated arrays to W or SW would provide maximum benefit
- Stable pricing provided by distributed PV can protect against grid price spikes like those seen in 2001, but only with large enough penetration.



Next Steps

- Side-by-Side Evaluation of ZEH vs. Non-ZEH Communities
 - Power production
 - Monitor energy savings/production
 - Monitor peak demand savings
 - Evaluate distribution system impacts
 - Voltage Flicker and Harmonic Distortion
- 100+ ZEHs in 05
- Demonstrate new Roof-integrated PV Product
- Adopt ZEH into SMUD's residential new construction



Lessons Learned

- Production builders will build ZEHs with proper incentives and support and buyers like PV/ZEH
- PV system costs fall with volume
- ZEH production homes offer substantial electric utility bill savings and ZEH home owners use less electricity
- ZEH production homes offer potential for significant peak load reduction and distribution system benefits



Lessons Learned

BUT

- Builders need PV with proper products, incentives and support
- Builders want branded, turnkey systems backed by long-term warranties and service
- kWh/kW, distribution system savings need to be documented



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